

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of : **Confirmation No. 8703**
Takahiro WATANABE et al. : Attorney Docket No. 2004_0533A
Serial No. 10/820,865 : Group Art Unit 2451
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AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

In response to the outstanding final Office Action dated January 29, 2009, please amend the above-identified application as follows.